## Sills Cummis & Gross

A Professional Corporation

The Legal Center One Riverfront Plaza Newark, New Jersey 07102 Tel: (973) 643-7000 Fax (973) 643-6500

101 Park Avenue 28<sup>th</sup> Floor New York, NY 10178 Tel: (212) 643-7000 Fax: (212) 643-6500

David W. Phillips Of Counsel Direct Dial: 973-643-6168 Email: dphillips@sillscummis.com

100 Overlook Center, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Princeton, NJ 08540 Tel: (609) 227-4600 Fax: (609) 227-4646

September 24, 2019

## VIA ECF

Hon. Stanley R. Chesler, U.S.D.J.
United States District Court
 For the District of New Jersey
Frank R. Lautenberg U.S. Post Office
 and Court House
2 Federal Square
Newark, New Jersey 07102

Re: MEPT Lincoln Crossing LLC v. Towers Associates, Ltd. Civil Action No. 2:19-cv-17639-SRC-CLW ("Towers #1")

> Towers Associates, Ltd., v MEPT Lincoln Crossing LLC Civil Action No. 2:19-cv-17515-SRC-CLW (#Towers #2")

Dear Judge Chesler:

We represent Towers Associates, Ltd. ("Towers"), the defendant in the first captioned matter, and the plaintiff in the second captioned matter. I write pursuant to Your Honor's Orders to Show Cause in each matter (Towers #1, dated September 11, 2019, ECF 4; Towers #2 dated September 11, 2019, ECF 5), that Towers establish subject matter jurisdiction, i.e., complete diversity for purposes of 28 U.S.C. § 1332(a).

We have consulted with counsel for MEPT Lincoln Crossing LLC ("MEPT"), who has shared the structure and a redacted members list of MEPT. We have concluded therefrom that there is not diversity jurisdiction. Accordingly, we will be filing a voluntary dismissal without prejudice of Towers #2 immediately after filing this letter, and hereby consent to a remand of Towers #1.

## Sills Cummis & Gross A Professional Corporation

September 24, 2019 Page 2.

Thank you for your courtesies in this regard.

Respectfully submitted,

Sills Cummis & Gross P.C.

/s/ David W. Phillips

David W. Phillips

DWP:

Cc: John A. Basinger, Esq. (Via Email)

Valerie G. Pennacchio, Esq. (Via Email and ECF)